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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL - INFORMAL

1. RE BILL KELLY'S HOME LEAVE, PERSONNEL'S REPLY TURNING DOWN HOME LEAVE REQUEST WAS NOT CLEARED WITH US. WE HAVE SEEN THE LEGAL OPINION WHICH STATES DEPARTMENT HAS NO FLEXIBILITY BECAUSE HOME LEAVE IS REGULATED BY STATUTE RATHER THAN REGULATIONS. WE AND EUR/EX ARE STILL TRYING TO SEE IF WE CAN GET DECISION TURNED AROUND. CHANCES DO NOT APPEAR TO BE TOO GOOD, BUT WE DO NOT CONSIDER IT TO BE A LOST CAUSE. WILL LET YOU KNOW RESULTS OF OUR EFFORTS.

2. RE MOSCOW 10744 ON THE WALK-IN, MEL DOES NOT RECALL THE NAME, BUT THINKS KURPEL MAY BE SOMEONE HE MET AT SYNAGOGUE AND LATER WROTE AN AIRGRAM ABOUT. TITLE WAS SOMETHING LIKE "A CONVERSATION WITH A JEWISH HOMOSEXUAL REFUSENIK." IF IT IS THE SAME PERSON -- TALL, BLOND, MOLE  
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ON CHEEK, MODISHLY DRESSED, AND OUTWARDLY VERY EFFEMINATE -- MEL SUGGESTS YOU WATCH OUT FOR SOME KIND OF PROVOCATION. LITTLE DOUBT HE IS AS TITLE OF AIRGRAM DESCRIBES HIM AND MEL ASSUMED HE HAD SOME CONNECTION WITH SECURITY FOLKS.

3. WE SUGGEST THAT IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO APPLY THE TRANSIT VISA 21-DAY REQUIREMENT FLEXIBLY. FOR EXAMPLE,

VLADIMIR KUZNETSOV (MOSCOW 10723 AND 10659) APPEARS TO BE A STUDENT EN ROUTE TO AND FROM JOINING HIS PARENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. WE WOULD BE INCLINED TO CONTINUE TO EXPEDITE THE CASES OF DEPENDENTS TRAVELLING ALONE. WE HAVE SENT YOU THE AUTHORIZATION, BUT DEFER TO YOUR JUDGMENT WHEN TO ISSUE. IF THE SOVIET EMBASSY ASKS US ABOUT THE CASE WE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT SAY THAT THE AUTHORIZATION HAS BEEN SENT. WE BELIEVE WE ARE PROPERLY HURTING THEM ON THE CASES OF SOME OFFICIALS SUCH AS MALINKIN (MOSCOW 10475).

4. THE AFGHAN POPPIES. STATE 174360, WHICH MUST HAVE CROSSED YOUR OI MESSAGE, INSTRUCTS OUR NACOTICS MAN IN GENEVA TO TAKE THE MATTER UP THERE.

5. CONSULAR COURSE IS FULL INTO SEPTEMBER BUT WE HAVE PREVAILED UPON FSI AND THEY HAVE MADE A VACANCY FOR WEISZ IN COURSE BEGINNING AUGUST 18. AS HE COMPLETES HIS JUNIOR OFFICER COURSE AUGUST 5, WE WILL TRY TO MAKE USE OF THAT DEAD TIME BY GIVING HIM SOME EXPERIENCE ON THE DESK.

6. ED DJEREJIAN PANELLED TODAY FOR FSI AND GARMISCH TO REPLACE DICK COMBS IN SUMMER OF 1979.

7. BELIEVE WE HAVE PERSUADED GELMAN TO MOVE ON BRINGING SONTAG HOME THIS WEEKEND. VANCE  
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